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GUATEMALA CITY: FOR AMBASSADOR FOR DUEMLING

1. DEPARTMENT MAYWISH TO CONSIDER PREPARATION OF
BIOGRAPHIC MATERIAL ON FOLLOWING PROMINENT NORWEGIANS
WHOM DEPUTY SECRETARY AND PARTY ARE SCHEDULED TO MEET
DURING VISIT TO NORWAY:

H.M. KING OLAV

PRIME MINISTER TRYGVE BRATTELI

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FOREIGN MINISTER KNUT FRYDENLUND

DEFENSE MINISTER ALF FOSTERVOLL

INDUSTRY MINISTER INGVALD ULVERSETH

FINANCE MINISTER PER KLEPPE

STATOIL CHAIRMAN FIN LIED
LABOR STORTING LEADER (AND NEXT PRIME MINISTER) ODVAR NORDLI
FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN TOR OFTEDAL
LAW OF SEA MINISTER JENS EVENSEN
STATE SECRETARY AND MRS. THORVALD STOLTENBERG

2. EMBASSY WILL INFORM DEPT. IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL BIO NEEDS WHEN NORWEGIANS GIVE FINAL PROGRAM. SINCE DEPUTY SECRETARY IS LIKELY TO MEET MOST IF NOT ALL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS LISTED BELOW UNDER 10:00 O'CLOCK MEETING AT MINISTRY ON SEPT. 8, HE SHOULD ALSO RECEIVE BIO REPORTS ON THEM.

3. SCHEDULE.

NORWEGIANS WILL NOT PROBABLY HAVE FIRM SCHEDULE UNTIL NEXT WEEK FOLLOWING NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS AND NORWEGIAN COMS MEETINGS WHICH FRYDENLUND IS SUCCESSIVELY CHAIRING. FORMIN IS PRESENTLY OUT OF TOWN IN CONNECTION WITH MUNICIPAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN. THERE MAY STILL BE SOME SMALL MODIFICATIONS, THEREFORE, IN LATEST PROGRAM PROVIDED BY FORMIN OFFICIAL EDWARDSSEN.

SUNDAY SEPT : ARRIVE OSLO 2155 BY TRAIN FROM MYRDAHL. (IDEA OF VISITING FORMIN AT HIS MOUNTAIN HOME HAS HAD TO BE SCRATCHED).
DEPUTY SECRETARY AND MRS. INGERSOLL WILL STAY AT RESIDENCE. OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY AT THE NEW SAS HOTEL.

MONDAY SEPT 8: 9:00 MEET WITH FORMIN
9:30 FORMIN ACCOMPANIES DEPUTY SECRETARY TO MEET PRIME MINISTER BRATTELI
10:00 POLITICAL TALKS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.
(COMMENT: NORWEGIAN SIDE PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON THESE TALKS AND THE OPPORTUNITY WHICH THEY PROVIDE TO BRIEF A TOP U.S. OFFICIAL ON DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF NORWEGIAN POLICY. FOREIGN MINISTER WILL HAVE A NUMBER OF HIS KEY AIDES WITH HIM DURING

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POLITICAL TALKS AND WORKING LUNCHEON (E.G., SECRETARY GENERAL GJELLUM, UNDER SECRETARY ARNE ARNESON, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS VIBE (FORMIN'S RIGHT ARM), DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUE BRUN, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS KJELL ELIASSEN, POLAR ADVISER OLAV BUCHER-JOHANNESSEN.

)

IT IS ALSO PLANNED THAT E.G. FINANCE MIN KLEPPE, STATOIL CHAIRMAN FINN LIED AND LAW OF THE SEA MINISTER JENS EVENSEN WILL MAKE CONCISE PRESENTATIONS ON THE NORWEGIAN DEVELOPMENTS IN THEIR AREAS OF COMPETENCE.)

12:00-

14:00 FRYDENLUND WILL GIVE WORKING LUNCHEON AT THE
MINISTRY'S GUEST HOUSE. MANY OF THE ABOVE
OFFICIALS WILL PARTICIPATE.

14:00-

16:00 CONTINUATION OF POLITICAL TALKS IN THE MIN-
ISTRY (COMMENT: WE PLAN TO TRY TO EXTEND
MORNING SESSION TO 13:00 TO FREE SCHEDULE
AFTER 15:00).

20:00 BLACK TIE DINNER GIVEN BY AMBASSADOR BYRNE

TUESDAY SEPT 9: TIMING OF APPOINTMENTS HAS NOT BEEN SET BUT THE
FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS ARE PLANNED BEGINNING AT 09:00:

- FINANCE MINISTER KLEPPE (EVEN IF HE MADE
PRESENTATION AT FORMINISTRY THE PREVIOUS
DAY),

- DEFENSE MINISTER

- MEETING IN STORTING WITH SELECTED MEMBERS OF
PARLIAMENT (COMMENT: SINCE STORTING IS NOT
IN SESSION AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS ARE
UNDERWAY, IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO ORGANIZE
MEETING OF FULL FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
UNDER ITS CHAIRMAN, TOR OFTEDAL.

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FOREIGN MINISTRY SEES THIS AS AN OPPORTUN-
IT, HOWEVER, FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY TO
BRIEF KEY MEMBERS OF THE STORTING ON CUR-
RENT AMERICAN POLICY).

- AUDIENCE WITH KING OLAV. WHILE H.M. NORMALLY
DOES NOT RECEIVE WIVES ALONG WITH THEIR
HUSBANDS, FOREIGN MINISTRY IS QUITE PREPARED
TO MAKE A SPECIAL REQUEST IF THIS IS DEPUTY
SECRETARY'S WISH.

AFTERNOON FREE FOR SIGHTSEEING IN OSLO

20:00 DINNER HOSTED BY FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND

4. MRS. INGERSOLL'S PROGRAM: WE PLAN TWO-HOUR TRIP THROUGH ATTRAC-
TIVE COUNTRYSIDE TO HANDICRAFT INDUSTRIES AT ARTISTS CENTER IN
FREDRIKSTAD ON MONDAY, SEPT. 8, ALLOWING DEPUTY SECRETARY OPPOR-
MUTY TO JOIN MRS. INGERSOLL AFTERNOON OF SEPT 9 FOR TOUR OF
OSLO (VIKING SHIPS, FOLK MUSEUM, ETC.).

5. MEDIA COVERED. IF DEPUTY SECRETARY HAS NO OBJECTION, WE WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE TV INTERVIEW FIRST TO WHET INTEREST IN VISIT, FOLLOWED BY PRESS CONFERENCE NEXT DAY. TIMING WILL DEPEND ON FINAL SCHEDULE. GIVEN TIGHTNESS OF SCHEDULE AS IT PRESENTLY STANDS, WE WOULD PREFER TO ARRANGE TV INTERVIEW ON SEPT 9 AND PRESS CONFERENCE BEFORE PARTY DEPARTS ON SEPT 10. IF DEPUTY SECRETARY TAKES 9:30 PLANE SK 932 ARRIVING STOCKHOLM AT 10:25, WE COULD ARRANGE AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE AT 8:30. IF DEPUTY SECRETARY CAN WAIT TO TAKE FINNAIR AY 794, LEAVING 12:15 AND ARRIVING 13:10, LATER MORNING CONFERENCE WOULD MORE LIKELY BRING OUT FOREIGN EDITORS RATHER THAN JOURNALIST ON DUTY. WHOEVER APPEARS FOR PRESS CONFERENCE, DEPUTY SECRETARY SHOULD BE PREPARED TO FOCUS ON SOME CURRENT ISSUE WHERE WE WISH TO MAKE CERTAIN POINTS AND DO MOST OF TALKING, SINCE NORWEGIAN PRESS IS NOTORIOUSLY RETICENT ABOUT ASKING QUESTIONS.

6. THEMES. WE HAVE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS FOR MAIN THEMES OF "THANK YOU FOR THE MEAL" (TAKK FOR MATEN) REMARKS, DELIVERED WHEN EVERYONE HAS FINISHED THEIR DESSERT. FORMULA FOR THIS OCCASION INVOLVES SOME HUMOROUS STORY FOLLOWED BY SERIOUS REMARKS, CONCLUDING WITH COMMENT ON EXCELLENCE OF FOOD AND COMPANY. WE SUGGEST THEMES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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THREE MEALS MIGHT BE AS FOLLOWS: A) FOR WORKING LUNCHEON: 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORWEGIAN EMIGRATION AND STRONG HISTORICAL BONDS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES; B) FOR AMBASSADOR'S DINNER: US-NORWEGIAN COOPERATION IN NATO AND STRENGTH OF US COMMITMENT TO NATO; AND C) FOR FONMIN'S DINNER: THEME OF INTERDEPENDENCE AND HOW US-NORWEGIAN RELATIONS ARE GOOD EXAMPLE OF INTERDEPENDENCE IN PRACTICE.

7. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE NOT APPARENTLY EXPECTING MAJOR EXPOSITION OF U.S. POSITION IN THEIR MEETING WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY ASIDE FROM USUAL INTRODUCTORY REMARKS OF COURTESY. INSTEAD THEY HOPE FOR OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MUTUAL POSITIONS AND EXPLAIN NORWAY AND ITS POLICIES. FRYDENLUND HAS REITERATED INTEREST, HOWEVER, IN DISCUSSING ARCTIC ISSUES. IF OUR OWN THINKING ON SUBJECT HAS NOT ADVANCED SUFFICIENTLY TO ENGAGE IN SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION, DEPUTY SECRETARY MAY WISH TO USE OCCASION TO ASK FRYDENLUND WHAT HE HAS IN MIND IN WAY OF ARCTIC TALKS. FOREIGN MINISTRY SEES MEETING WITH STORTING MEMBERS AS OCCASION FOR MORE FORMAL, DEVELOPED EXPOSITION OF U.S. POLICY.
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